

To all whom it concerns:

I am in support of the legalization of all 1.4 consumer fireworks sales and use in the state of Connecticut.

A similar bill was passed and laws instituted in the state of Pennsylvania a few years ago, with positive results on growing workforces, as well as generous revenues raised by the taxation on these products.

I would suggest advertised safety measures when using fireworks, both at the retail levels and on a government site. This will prevent most accidents, but just like with anything (cars, guns, tools, etc.), there will always be some accidents and misuse -- the idea is to minimize them with education.

My best,
-Derek Taylor